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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Hubert Metzner et al. )  
Application No.: 09/809,021 ) Group Art Unit: 1651  
Filed: March 16, 2001 ) Examiner: Michael V. Meller  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time from November 20, 2002, to December 20, 2002, to reply to the Office Action of June 20, 2002. A fee of \$520.00 is enclosed.

A fee of \$400.00 and a petition for a two-month extension of time were previously submitted on November 19, 2002, in order to extend the time period for response to November 20, 2002. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any required fees not submitted herewith to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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